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REMARKS

Status of the Application

Claims 2 is objected to for minor informalities and is rejected under 35 USC 112, second paragraph. Claim 1 is rejected under 35 USC 102(b) as being anticipated by Prudham (US 5,880,551). Claims 1-3 are rejected under 35 USC 102(b) as being anticipated by Ogihara et al. (US 4,782,353). Claim 4 is rejected under 35 USC 103(a) as being unpatentable over Ogihara in view of Ridl (US 6,650,504). The Examiner is thanked for pointing out that claim 5 contains allowable subject matter.

Applicant has amended claims 1-2, canceled claims 4-5, and added new claim 6. No new matter adds through the amendments. For the reasons discussed below, withdrawal of the objection and the rejection is requested.

Claim Objection

Claim 2 is objected to because "engageable" on line 2 is misspelled. Applicant has amended claim 2 to replace "engageable" with "engaged"

Withdrawal of the objection is requested.

Claim Rejection- 35 U.S.C. 112, Second Paragraph

Claim 2 is rejected under 35 USC 112, second paragraph, as being indefinite. More particularly, the Office Action indicated that, in claim 2, "the other housing portion" is unclear.

Applicant has amended claim 2 to delete the phrase "the other housing portion". It is believed that the amendments made to claim 2 have overcome the rejection.

Withdrawal of the rejection is requested.

Claim Rejections- 35 U.S.C. 102(b) and 103(a)

Claim 1 is rejected under 35 USC 102(b) as being anticipated by Prudham (US 5,880,551). Claims 1-3 are rejected under 35 USC 102(b) as being anticipated by Ogihara et al. (US 4,782,353). Claim 4 is rejected under 35 USC 103(a) as being unpatentable over Ogihara in view of Ridl (US 6,650,504).

However, the Office Action indicated that claim 5 contains allowable subject matter. More

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specifically, the Office Action acknowledged that "the record of prior art does not show the chamfered upper edge of the rising wall faces inclining with a vertically descending angle toward a bottom of the concaved portion".

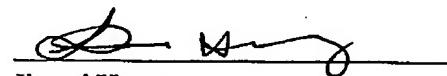
Accordingly, Applicant has amended claim 1 to include the allowable subject matter of claim 5. Therefore, the amended claim 1 as well as its dependent claims 2, 3, and 6 are allowable.

Conclusion

In view of the foregoing amendments and remarks, it is respectfully submitted that the remaining claims 1-3 and 6 are now in condition for allowance. Allowance of this application is earnestly solicited.

Respectively submitted

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